

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 313
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Shawna Kay Walker,
2005 Valedictorian of Bledsoe County High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Shawna Kay Walker is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Bledsoe County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Shawna Walker has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Shawna has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her excellence in the classroom, Shawna has superbly led many clubs and organizations, including acting as President and Class Officer of Student Council, the Captain of the Academic Bowl Team, President of Beta Epsilon, Reporter for the Drama Club, and as Vice President of Future Farmers of America; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable student finds time to lend her talent and energy as a member of Beta Club, Future Teachers of America, DECA, Young Farmers and Ranchers, Agriscience Academic Bowl Team, and the 4-H Club; she is also active in her church group; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Shawna has placed second in the Future Farmers of America Regionals Agriscience Bowl, second place in the Drama Club Dedication Award, second place honors with the DECA State Competitions, and she has received the Drama Club Director's and Leadership Awards; and

WHEREAS, Shawna's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville majoring in Pre-Veterinary Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Walker's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, James and Barbara Walker, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Shawna's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Bledsoe County High School Valedictorian, Shawna Kay Walker, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.